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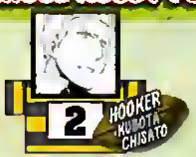
FORWARD

FRONT ROW

1 PROP WATASE JUN



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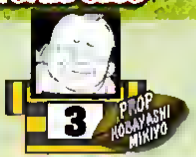


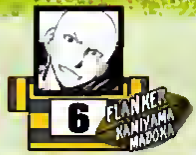
3 PROP KOBAYASHI MIKIYO

SECOND ROW

4 LOCK HONTOKU MOE

5 LOCK NAKAMURA KOMUGI

THIRD ROW



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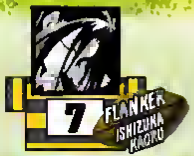
8 NUMBER 8 YAMAJI AYUMU



7 FLANKER ISHIZUKA AKORO

BACKS

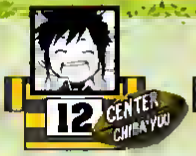
HALF BACK

9 SCRUM-HALF NAGASE HIROMI

10 FLY-HALF SAKAI MAKOTO

THREE-QUARTER BACK

11 WINGER EJIMA YUI



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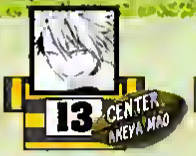
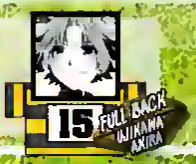


13 CENTER AKEYA MAO

14 WINGER SANO MEGUMI

FULL BACK



15 FULL BACK IIJIMA AKIRA

THE MEISETSU FIFTEEN STARTING LINE-UP

No.1 PROP
WATABE JUN
(SECOND YEAR)

No.2 HOOKER
KUBOTA CHISATO
(THIRD YEAR)

No.3 PROP
KOBAYASHI MIKIYO
(THIRD YEAR)

No.4 LOCK
HONTOKU MOE
(THIRD YEAR)

No.5 LOCK
NAKAMURA KOMUGI
(THIRD YEAR)

No.6 FLANKER
KAMIYAMA MADOKA
(SECOND YEAR)

No.7 FLANKER
ISHIZUKA KAORU
(SECOND YEAR)

No.8 NUMBER 8
YAMADA AYUMU
(THIRD YEAR)

No.9 SCRUM-HALF
NAGASE HIROMI
(THIRD YEAR)

No.10 FLY-HALF
SAKAI MAKOTO
(THIRD YEAR)

No.11 WINGER
EBINA YUI
(SECOND YEAR)

No.12 CENTER
CHIBA YUU
(FIRST YEAR)

No.13 CENTER
AKEYA MAO
(SECOND YEAR)

No.14 WINGER
SANO MEGUMI
(FIRST YEAR)

No.15 FULL BACK
UJIKAWA AKIRA
(FIRST YEAR)

ONE OF THE TOP FOUR IN THE PREFECTURE LAST YEAR...
ISHINOZAKI TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL.
AND THE RUNNER-UP, YURIGAOKA ACADEMY.
TO HAVE SO MANY SPECTATORS WATCHING... IF WE WIN, WE'LL BE HEROES. BUT IF WE LOSE...
THE MATCH IS ABOUT TO BEGIN!
...WE'LL BE A LAUGHING STOCK.

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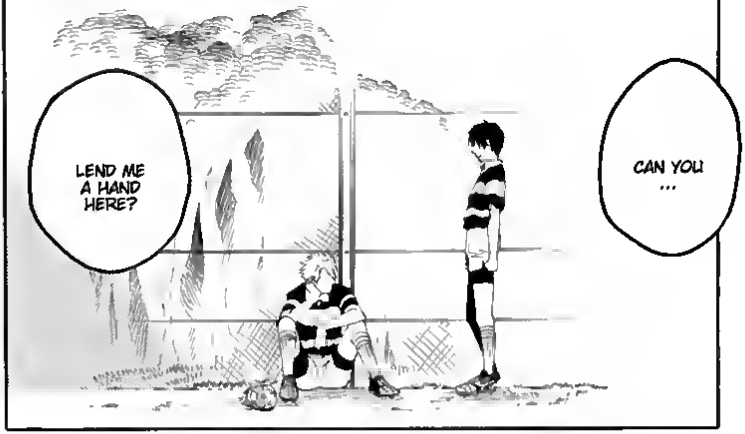
明刹工業高校ラグビー部
第8話 キックオフ
成瀬芳貴

OLD MAN
Yes, sir!
MAKE SURE TO RECORD THIS.
No need to worry, I'll see to it!
LISTEN.
I pray that you won't injure yourself out there.
Enough.
BE CAREFUL WITH THESE THREE PLAYERS.
THIS WILL MAKE GREAT REFERENCE
IN AIMING FOR HANAZONO.
THERE'LL PROBABLY BE NO CHANCE TO FACE OFF WITH TAKASE IN THE FUTURE

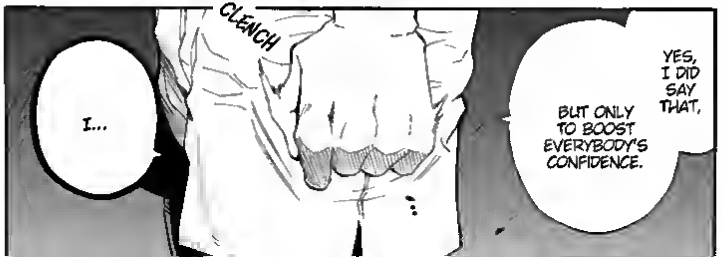
THEIR CAPTAIN, NUMBER 8, SHISHIDO ASUKA.
USING HIS TENACITY,
HE MAKES THE BREAK-THROUGH FOR TA-
KASE
HE'S THE CENTRAL FIGURE IN THEIR FORWARD ATTACKS.
NEXT IS A FLAN-KER, ADAM GUILFORD, A FOREIGN STUDENT FROM NEW ZEALAND.
THANKS TO HIS PRECISE AND STEADY PASSING, THE BACKS CAN MOVE FREELY
HE'S THE ONE WHO MAKES THEIR ATTACKS FROM THE SIDE.

I WON'T LOSE IF IT'S ABOUT SIDE-STEPS♪
ADAM'S YOUNGER TWIN,
THE WINGER OWEN GUILFORD.
OH, THAT PRETTY BOY WHOSE FANS HAVE ALREADY GATHERED OUTSIDE?
So their Forwards and Backs have their own leaders huh?
He's foreigner, isn't he? Can he even speak?
AND THE LAST ONE.
BEING A FOREIGNER, HE'S PROBABLY ONE OF THE FASTEST WINGERS IN THE COUNTRY.
IN SHORT, HE'S THE FINISHER IN TAKASE'S HOLY TRINITY.
HE'S THE ONE WHO GETS THE BALL PASSED TO HIM FROM ASUKA AND ADAM.

OVERALL THEIR MORALE IS PROBABLY LOW DUE TO MAKI'S INJURY.
EVEN IF THEY HAVE OUTSTANDING PLAYERS...
FOR NOW.
I know we don't have to win and all
Hey
W-WAIT UP, YUI! IS THAT ALL YOU'RE GOING TO TELL US?
THAT WILL MAKE TAKASE TREMBLE.
FIRST OF ALL, WE HAVE TO BE THE ONES TO SCORE THE FIRST TRY.
PLEASE ...
MAO ...
A GOAL SO EARLY? HOW?!
WHAT?!
THEN WE'LL INCREASE OUR LEAD WITH AKIRA'S DROP GOAL.


LEND ME A HAND HERE?
CAN YOU ...

I MEAN, IT'S NO USE GOING AGAINST THE KINGS
WE'RE JUST MAKING FOOLS OF OUR-SELVES.
...
HEY.
I THOUGHT YOU SAID WE DON'T HAVE TO WIN THIS.
I WANT TO USE THAT PASS.
I WANT US TO DO THAT TECH-NIQUE WE USED TO DO BACK IN RUGBY SCHOOL.


I...
CLENCH
YES, I DID SAY THAT,
BUT ONLY TO BOOST EVERYBODY'S CONFIDENCE.

...I WANT TO WIN!
I REALLY WANT TO WIN THIS GAME!
THAT PASS WHICH I THOUGHT UP, HUH?
GRIP
13

HOW SHOULD I PUT THIS ...
TOGE-THER... SINCE...
AFTER ALL, THEY HAVE BEEN PLAYING RUGBY TO-GETHER SINCE KINDER-GARTEN.
WHO KNOWS.
WHAT COULD IT BE?
MAYBE IT'S SOME REALLY KILLER MOVE?
THEY'RE AMAZING, THOSE TWO.
13
11
...
ALL RIGHT.
THUD

IT'S THE KICK-OFF!
TAP
TAP
TAP
WHUMP
SWACK

dash
MAKOTO!
KICK
catch

!!
!!
SKID
!!

WE'RE PAST THE HALFWAY LINE.
LESS THAN FORTY METERS LEFT.

!
11 AND 13 ARE RUSHING IN!
IT'S TOO EARLY FOR THE BACKS TO COME IN!
WAIT!
THAT NUMBER 13
WHY IS HE GOING SO FAR AHEAD ?

HIROMI!
!!

HE LEAPED OVER!?!
THAT'S GOT TO BE DANGEROUS!

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HE'S FAST!
HE HAS ENTERED THE 22-METER LINE.
AND THERE'S ONLY TWO PEOPLE WHO CAN STOP HIM!

THE WINGER IS RIGHT BEHIND HIM!?!
HEY! STOP THEM!
WE'VE GOT TO STOP THAT ELEVEN GUY!

THEY MUST'VE KNOWN HE'D MAKE THAT MOVE
THAT WOULDN'T WORK AGAINST ANYBODY ELSE.
15

THEN BRINGING THE BALL BACK...
FEIGNING A PASS TO THE OTHER
THE PENDULUM PASS!

WHAT?!
AFTER THE PASS WAS MADE, IT WAS SENT BACK!?!
HE RETURNED THE BALL TO HIM?!

DAMN!
THE HELL WAS THAT!?
AMA-ZING
DAMN!
Good work, Mio!
Mioooo!
Ama-zing!
Nice sup-port, Yui!

step
11
SHUDDER

HOW'S THAT FOR SIZE?
MEISETSU TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL, UP FOR A GOAL ALREADY!
IF THEY CONVERTED THOSE SEVEN POINTS
BUT HOW?
THIS'LL BE PRETTY DIFFICULT.
MEISETSU REALLY DID IT!!

THE WIDTH OF THE GOAL-POSTS IS QUITE NARROW...
HEY, IT'S THAT KICKER THEY'RE ALL TALKING ABOUT.
THE ONE WHO'S MEANT TO HAVE INCREDIBLE SKILL WITH THE BALL.
UJIKAWA AKIRA.

ALL RIGHT!
NICE KICK THERE, AKIRA!
OH.
GUESS IT'S QUITE EASY
IF IT'S LIKE THAT.
WITH HIS LEFT FOOT ..

MAKO-TO.
Yeah?
SET UP AN OPENING FOR AKIRA TO TAKE A DROP-GOAL NEXT.
THAT'LL GIVE US TEN POINTS THAT'LL BE SURE TO PUT PRESSURE ON TAKASE.
TAKASE
0
MEISETSU
7
CRO-UCH.
EN-GAGE!
TOUCH.
PAUSE
...

AKIRA!
FINISH THIS!
FINISH THIS WITH A 50-METER GOAL-DROP!
!?
!!!

*A PLAY THAT STOPS THE ENEMY'S KICK
A CHAR-GE!!*
HE'S FAST!
HE'S THAT CLOSE ALREADY
EH?!

AUGH!
OH!!
NO WAY!

OUR DEFENCES
AREN'T GOOD ENOUGH!

Try!!
Way to go, Asuka!!
You did well!
Nice pitching!
Yeah!
I SEE...
WHAT IS IT?
ALL OF THE TAKASE MEMBERS EXCEPT FOR THE SCRUM-HALF HAVE SIMILAR BUILDS
EVEN SHISHIDO IS AVERAGE FOR THEM.
AND THAT FORCES MEISETSU'S FORWADS TO DEFEND WITH ONLY TWO PEOPLE.
IT'S NOT JUST ADVANTAGE IN NUMBERS.
IT'S CLEAR THAT
MEISETSU WILL NOT HAVE ENOUGH TO DEFEND!

BUT THEY CAN EVERAGE ON THAT KICK.
LISTEN!
WITH THE EXTRA PEOPLE TAKASE HAVE,
THEY COULD COMPLETELY SURROUND THE KICKER!
THAT'S THEIR PLAN.
TO STOP HIM COMPLETELY
DAMN.
TO BLOCK THAT GENIUS KICKER!
SORRY.
EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE A GREAT ABILITY ...
THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH YOU CAN DO WITH THEM AROUND YOU.

THE PRIDE WE ONCE HAD
WE THREW IT ALL AWAY AT HANAZONO BACK THEN.
WE WON'T FLINCH FROM THAT PASS OR FROM THAT KICK
EVER AGAIN.
THE MIGHT OF ALL OF US PLAYING AS ONE.
THE WAY WE REALLY ARE RIGHT NOW.
WE'LL MAKE ALL OF YOU FEEL IT!
WHAT A DILEMMA!
TO BE CONTINUED
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